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REVENUE TO EXTEND OFFICE HOURS IN FINAL DAYS OF TAX AMNESTY CAMPAIGN

September 30 is Deadline

FRANKFORT, KY (September 24, 2002) – The Kentucky Revenue Cabinet is extending its office hours as the tax amnesty campaign deadline of midnight Monday, September 30, nears. The Cabinet's Taxpayer Service Centers throughout the state will be open Saturday, September 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. local time. On Monday, September 30, the final day of the tax amnesty program, the service centers will remain open until 7:00 p.m. local time.

"We expect to be extremely busy this week," said Revenue Secretary Dana Mayton. "The experience of other states and our own 1988 tax amnesty program demonstrates that there is always a last minute rush at the end of an amnesty program," said Mayton.

Contrary to rumors, the Tax Amnesty period will not be extended beyond September 30. "Taxpayers are reporting to the Cabinet that they are being told that the Tax Amnesty period will be extended on a case by case basis. This is simply not true. All taxpayers will be treated alike and the Amnesty period will end for everybody at midnight, Monday, September 30," Mayton said.

Taxpayers planning a visit to a service center are urged to bring all necessary records. "We stand ready to assist taxpayers during the last minute crush, but they must help

themselves by bringing their tax documents such as W-2s and copies of federal returns,” said Secretary Mayton. “If taxpayers are not certain about which documents to bring, they should call ahead to the taxpayer service center or to our toll-free number,” Mayton said. “Our Tax Amnesty website, www.amnesty.ky.gov, contains the addresses and telephone numbers of our taxpayer service centers,” Secretary Mayton said.

Mailed Tax Amnesty applications must be postmarked no later than midnight, September 30. Taxpayers may pay any taxes due by check, MasterCard or VISA. Taxpayers who demonstrate a severe financial need are eligible for a payment plan.

“Tax Amnesty is a rare opportunity for those who live, work or do business in Kentucky to pay any back state taxes they owe without any penalties, fees, interest or prosecution and in complete confidentiality,” said Mayton. Virtually all taxpayers are eligible to participate in the program.

Secretary Mayton said the Amnesty program is expected to generate \$20 million in 2002. “We have already received more than \$13 million and since the vast majority of the money is paid during the final week, we are optimistic that we will meet or even exceed our goal. Both individuals and businesses realize that it’s a great decision to participate in Tax Amnesty.

For more information, visit www.amnesty.ky.gov or call the Amnesty toll-free number 1-877-ONLY-TAX (1-877-665-9829). Amnesty applications are available at the office of the Property Valuation Administrator in each county, at Revenue Cabinet Taxpayer Service Centers throughout the state and may be downloaded from the amnesty website.

Revenue Cabinet Taxpayer Service Centers are listed below:

Ashland Service Center

134 16th Street
Ashland, KY 41101-7670
Phone: (606) 920-2037
FAX: (606) 920-2039

Bowling Green Service Center

201 West Professional Park Court
Bowling Green, KY 42104-3278
Phone: (270) 746-7470
FAX: (270) 746-7847

Central Kentucky Service Center

200 Fair Oaks Lane
P. O. Box 657
Frankfort, KY 40620-0657
Taxpayer Assistance: (502) 564-4581
FAX: (502) 564-8946

Corbin Service Center

Suite 2
15100 North US 25E
P. O. Box 1298
Corbin, KY 40702-1298
Phone: (606) 528-3322
FAX: (606) 523-1972

Hopkinsville Service Center

181 Hammond Drive
Hopkinsville, KY 42240
Phone: (270) 889-6521
FAX: (270) 889-6563

Louisville Service Center

620 South Third Street, Suite 102
Louisville, KY 40202-2446
Phone: (502) 595-4512
FAX: (502) 595-4205

Northern Kentucky Service Center

Turfway Ridge Office Park, Suite 190
7310 Turfway Road
Florence, KY 41042-1385
Phone: (859) 371-9049
FAX: (502) 371-9154

Owensboro Service Center

Building C, Suite 201
401 Frederica Street
P.O. Box 128
Owensboro, KY 42302-1028
Phone: (270) 687-7301
FAX: (270) 687-7244

Paducah Service Center

Clark Business Complex, Suite G
2928 Park Avenue
Paducah, KY 42001-4024
Phone: (270) 575-7148
FAX: (270) 575-7027

Pikeville Service Center

Uniplex Center, Suite 203
126 Trivette Drive
Pikeville, KY 41501-1275
Phone: (606) 433-7675
FAX: (606) 433-7679